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EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE

Minutes of July 29, 1975

MEMBERS PRESENT: Abell, Buchanan, Connelly, Doughty, Hackler, Johnson, Knott, MacLaren, North, Price, Rearden, Weidner, Wiseman, Wood

MEMBER ABSENT: Goodrich

STUDENT VISITOR: Lori Miller

The meeting was called to order at 1505.

The minutes of July 22, 1975 were approved as published.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Institutional Report, Agenda, and the Executive Officers Report for the July 31, 1975 meeting of the Board of Governors. Minutes of the June, 1975 BOG meeting.
2. Memo from Lavern Hamand regarding Senate action approving the proposed change in Spring Commencement date.
3. Student Senate Meeting Minutes---July 9 and July 17, 1975.

REPORTS

1. Executive Committee meeting with President Fite---MacLaren.

It was reported that most of the discussion with the President focused on the recently-passed Senate Resolution on Contract Reductions. President Fite stated that he would not support the Senate's position on across-the-board contract reductions for administrators but would continue to reduce contracts where the workload does not justify long-term contracts. The President is preparing a detailed written response to the Senate's resolution and to the accompanying cover letter.

It was also reported that the amending of the closing date on faculty contracts (from May 15, 1975, the last day of finals, to May 25) was merely to adjust the contract length to nine calendar months because the pay period is nine full months. No increase in semester length or in faculty workload has been considered.

2. Student evaluation of faculty---Johnson

A recent letter from Bartling to Johnson indicates that the cost of the Purdue Cafeteria System of Teacher Evaluation may rise as high as \$2100, rather than the \$1000 originally estimated. The cost is primarily Xeroxing

expenses---some Senate members believed that this cost could be reduced by alternate duplicating methods. It was also noted that this high estimate was based on 80% faculty participation with four classes being evaluated. President Fite told Johnson's committee that he could find \$600 to contribute to this project and hoped that the Senate would contribute \$400 to make this originally specified \$1000. After considerable discussion of the means of financing this project, it was moved by Buchanan, seconded by Knott, that the Faculty Senate approve \$400 from the Faculty Senate Special Fund to be used to partially finance the expenses of this evaluation. After more discussion, Wiseman called for a roll call vote on the question. The motion carried with the following votes:

Yes - Buchanan, Connelly, Hackler, Johnson, Knott, MacLaren, Rearden, Weidner

No - Wiseman

Abstain - Abell, Doughty, Price, Wood

#### OLD BUSINESS

Pointing out that this was the last regularly-scheduled meeting for this Senate, Chairman MacLaren expressed his appreciation to the retiring members of the Senate (Doughty, Johnson, Knott, Wiseman) for their service during the past three and one quarter years.

It was moved by Buchanan, seconded by Abell, that the Senate express its thanks to the five retiring members of the Senate (Doughty, Johnson, Knott, MacLaren, Wiseman) and express a special thanks to MacLaren for his extra long service as Chairman. The motion passed unanimously.

It was moved by Price and seconded by Abell that the Senate express special appreciation to Bert Holley, Chairman, University Personnel Committee, for his long and distinguished service to the university and for his cooperation with the Faculty Senate on items of mutual interest. The motion passed unanimously.

#### SPECIAL MEETING

The Faculty Senate will meet with Dr. Walters, Executive Director of the Board of Governors staff on August 5, 1975 at 1500 in the University Union Martinsville Room.

The meeting adjourned at 1604.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled for September 2, 1975 at 1400 in the University Union Martinsville Room.

Terry M. Weidner  
Faculty Senate Secretary